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LETTER OF DEFICIENCY #WSEB 02-156
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Tom Caron
231 Beach Road
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Subject: Pittsburg - Public Water System: Tall Timber Lodge and Cabins (EPA #1908030)

Dear Mr. Caron:

The records of the Department of Environmental Services (DES) show that the Tall Timber Lodge and Cabins water system is classified as a public water system (PWS), as defined by RSA 485:1-a. A PWS is defined as any water system serving 15 or more services, or 25 or more people for 60 or more days per year. As such, the water system owner is required to submit samples to the State laboratory or a State-certified laboratory for coliform bacteria analysis in compliance with NH Administrative Rule Env-Ws 325.

DES records show that Standard Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) violations for total coliform bacteria, as defined in NH Admin. Rule Env-Ws 315.01 have occurred and that letters of violation were issued for the following months:

January 2001 and October 2002

DES believes the MCL violations can be corrected and future violations prevented by taking the following actions:

- By October 30, 2002**, retain the services of a qualified water system consultant to address the system's water quality problems relative to the recent bacteriological occurrences; and
2. **By November 14, 2002**, submit to DES for review a copy of the consultant's report including recommendations and an implementation schedule to correct the water system deficiencies.

Pursuant to Env-Ws 351, owners of public water systems are required to issue public notification when a system has exceeded the MCL limit for coliform bacteria. DES records show that the water system failed to perform public notification for the following month:

January 2001

In view of the public notice violation, DES believes the deficiency can be corrected, and future violations prevented, by taking the following actions:

1. **By October 30, 2002**, carry out public notice requirements for the January 2001 bacteria MCL violation; and
2. **By November 13, 2002**, provide proof of public notice to DES.

The copy of the consultant's written report as requested above should be addressed as follows:

Alan Leach
Department of Environmental Services
Water Supply Engineering Bureau
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In the event compliance is not achieved within this period, DES may take further enforcement action, including issuing an order requiring the deficiencies be corrected, initiating an administrative fine proceeding and/or referring the matter to the NH Department of Justice for imposition of appropriate penalties.

Please contact Alan Leach by phone at (603) 271-2854 or by e-mail at aleach@des.state.nh.us, if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



Anthony P. Giunta, P.G., Administrator
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cc: Gretchen Rule, DES Legal Unit
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